TITLE: An Action Relating To Health, Education And Human Services; Approving Amendments To The Navajo Nation Department For Self-Reliance’s Pathway To Self-Reliance Policy Manual

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0338-19

DATE: November 19, 2019

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES; APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE NAVAJO NATION DEPARTMENT FOR SELF RELIANCE’S PATHWAY TO SELF RELIANCE POLICY MANUAL

PURPOSE: This bill will approve amendments to Policy Manual for the Navajo Nation Department for Self-Reliance. The manual is entitled Pathway to Self-Reliance. Generally, it addresses the Navajo Nation's administration of the Tribal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program (TANF, a federal program entitled Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, Public Law 104-193).

This written summary does not address recommended amendments as may be provided by the standing committees. The Office of Legislative Counsel requests each Council Delegate to review each proposed resolution in detail.
PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – FIRST YEAR, 2019

INTRODUCED BY

(Prime Sponsor)

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AN ACTION

RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES; APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE NAVAJO NATION DEPARTMENT FOR SELF RELIANCE'S PATHWAY TO SELF RELIANCE POLICY MANUAL

BE IT ENACTED:

Section One. Authorities

A. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 400 (A).

B. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee has oversight over the Division of Social Services and its programs. 2 N.N.C. § 601(C)(1).

C. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 401(B)(1) is authorized to establish Navajo Nation policy, promulgate rules and regulations governing human services and general government services of the Navajo Nation.

Section Two. Findings

B. The Pathway to Self Reliance Manual needs to be updated because certain financial assistance eligibility provisions have changed since the Manual was last revised seven (7) years ago.

C. The proposed revisions to the Navajo Nation Department for Self Reliance’s *Pathway to Self Reliance Policy Manual* have been reviewed by the Navajo Nation Department of Justice and deemed sufficient.

D. The Navajo Nation finds it in the best interest of the Navajo People to approve the recommended amendments to the *Pathway to Self Reliance Policy Manual* as submitted by the Navajo Nation Department for Self Reliance and as attached hereto as Exhibit A.

**Section Three. Amending the Pathway to Self Reliance Policy Manual**

A. The Navajo Nation hereby approves and adopts amendments to the *Pathway to Self Reliance Policy Manual*, attached as Exhibit A.

B. The Navajo Nation Department for Self Reliance is authorized to insert page numbers and a paginated *Table of Contents* for purposes of public availability of the *Policy Manual*.

**Section Four. Effective Date**

The *Pathway to Self Reliance Policy Manual*, as set forth above, shall become effective immediately.